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DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION
(37 CFR 1.63)

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

PROCESS FOR PREPARING OXCARBAZEPINE

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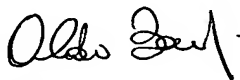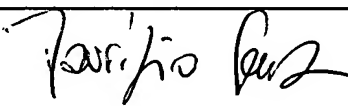
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